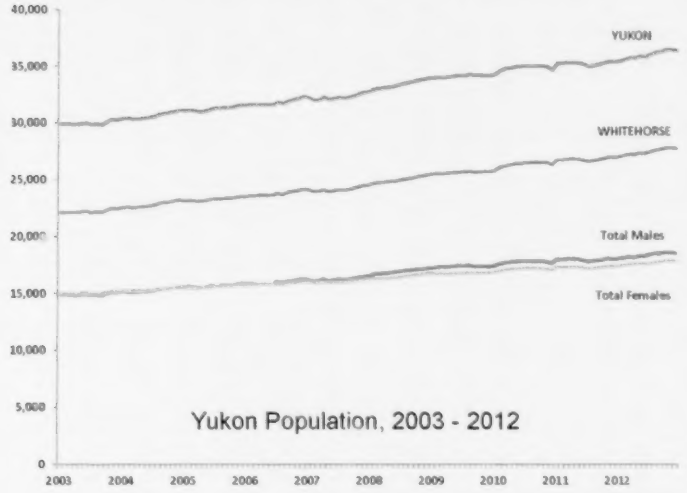
YUKON BUREAU OF STATISTICS

Population Report
December 2012

Highlights:

- In December 2012, the estimated population of Yukon was 36,402; an increase of 1,009, or 2.9%, compared to 35,393 in December 2011.
- Between December 2003 and December 2012, Yukon's total population has increased by 6,147, or 20.3%. The population of Whitehorse has increased by 5,328, or 23.8%; Dawson City has increased by 212, or 11.9%; and Watson Lake has decreased by 39, or 2.5%.

Monthly Yukon Population Estimates



Yukon Population, 2003 - 2012

All figures in this publication were calculated by the Yukon Bureau of Statistics based on data provided by Yukon Department of Health and Social Services.

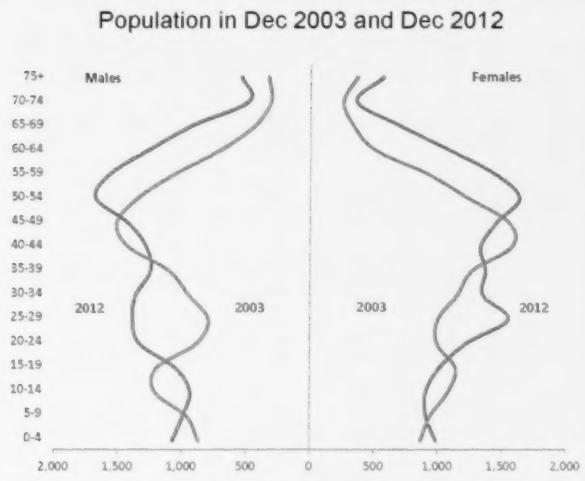
Population estimates for July 2010 and later are based on regression modelling. Thus, while estimates from July 2010 onward are still comparable to figures published in previous years, they have been derived using a different methodology.

- Yukon's population was 33,796 at the start of 1997. It decreased steadily for five years and then held at around 30,000 in 2002 and 2003. In 2004, the population began to climb.
- Within the last two quarters of 2011, Yukon's population increased from 34,974 in July (third quarter) to a 2011 high of 35,440 in November (fourth quarter).
- In each quarter of 2012, Yukon's population has showed strong growth, setting successive new all-time highs[1] within each quarter: 35,769 in March (first quarter); 35,891 in May (second quarter); 36,304 in September (third quarter) and 36,461 in November (fourth quarter).
- The December 2012 population increased by 1,009 people, or 2.9%, compared to one year prior.

	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Jan	29,912	30,387	31,084	31,585	32,212	32,831	33,969	34,286	35,251	35,474
Feb	29,906	30,403	31,113	31,612	31,994	32,992	34,013	34,610	35,278	35,610
Mar	29,880	30,361	31,074	31,594	32,044	33,034	34,016	34,789	35,338	35,769
Apr	29,834	30,359	30,960	31,603	32,278	33,111	34,055	34,862	35,328	35,730
May	29,913	30,395	31,036	31,630	32,049	33,181	34,132	34,950	35,287	35,891
Jun	29,976	30,469	31,222	31,608	32,212	33,294	34,157	34,984	35,175	35,862
Jul	29,834	30,553	31,296	31,832	32,253	33,421	34,175	35,022	34,974	36,079
Aug	29,893	30,740	31,324	31,704	32,196	33,537	34,264	35,011	35,044	36,229
Sep	29,810	30,848	31,334	31,931	32,299	33,627	34,192	35,012	35,156	36,304
Oct	30,087	30,888	31,361	32,039	32,423	33,738	34,188	35,023	35,293	36,459
Nov	30,302	30,994	31,485	32,165	32,639	33,839	34,170	34,949	35,440	36,461
Dec	30,255	31,127	31,587	32,335	32,714	33,928	34,157	34,667	35,393	36,402
Annual Average	**29,967**	**30,627**	**31,240**	**31,803**	**32,276**	**33,378**	**34,124**	**34,847**	**35,246**	**36,023**

Accurate population estimates for the gold rush era are not available. However, the first Census population estimate for Yukon was in 1901 - population 27,219.

Yukon Population by Age Groups and Sex, Dec 2003 to Dec 2012



Age Groups	Dec '12 Both Sexes	Dec '12 Males	Dec '12 Females	% Change from Dec '03 to Dec '12 Both Sexes	% Change from Dec '03 to Dec '12 Males	% Change from Dec '03 to Dec '12 Females
0-4	2,058	1,071	987	18.5	23.2	13.8
5-9	1,902	992	910	0.0	3.2	-3.4
10-14	1,842	935	907	-19.6	-22.7	-16.1
15-19	2,064	1,050	1,014	-11.6	-12.3	-10.8
20-24	2,552	1,332	1,220	36.0	50.8	22.9
25-29	2,935	1,386	1,548	63.4	74.6	54.5
30-34	2,712	1,362	1,350	29.1	43.4	17.3
35-39	2,617	1,247	1,371	10.4	13.1	8.1
40-44	2,616	1,282	1,334	-12.8	-9.9	-15.4
45-49	2,883	1,426	1,456	-5.9	-5.7	-6.1
50-54	3,310	1,677	1,633	28.3	24.5	32.5
55-59	3,004	1,565	1,439	52.3	48.0	57.3
60-64	2,341	1,261	1,080	94.8	80.1	115.2
65-69	1,618	922	696	110.9	112.9	108.3
70-74	841	482	359	48.1	55.4	39.3
75+	1,107	538	570	59.6	63.9	55.7
All Ages[1]	36,402	18,527	17,876	20.3	22.9	17.8

Population has grown and aged since 2003 - particularly as the baby-boom (currently age 47-66) and echo-boom populations (approximately age 20-35) have aged.

December 2012 figures show:

- 15.9% of Yukon's population was under 15 years of age, 74.3% was between 15 and 64 years of age, and 9.8% was 65 years of age or older. In December 2003, 19.6% of Yukon's population was under 15 years of age, 73.7% was between 15 and 64 years of age, and 6.7% was 65 years of age or older.
- Yukon's population consisted of 18,527 males (50.9%) and 17,876 females (49.1%). In December 2003, there was less of a gender gap: males comprised 49.8% of Yukon's population; females 50.2%.

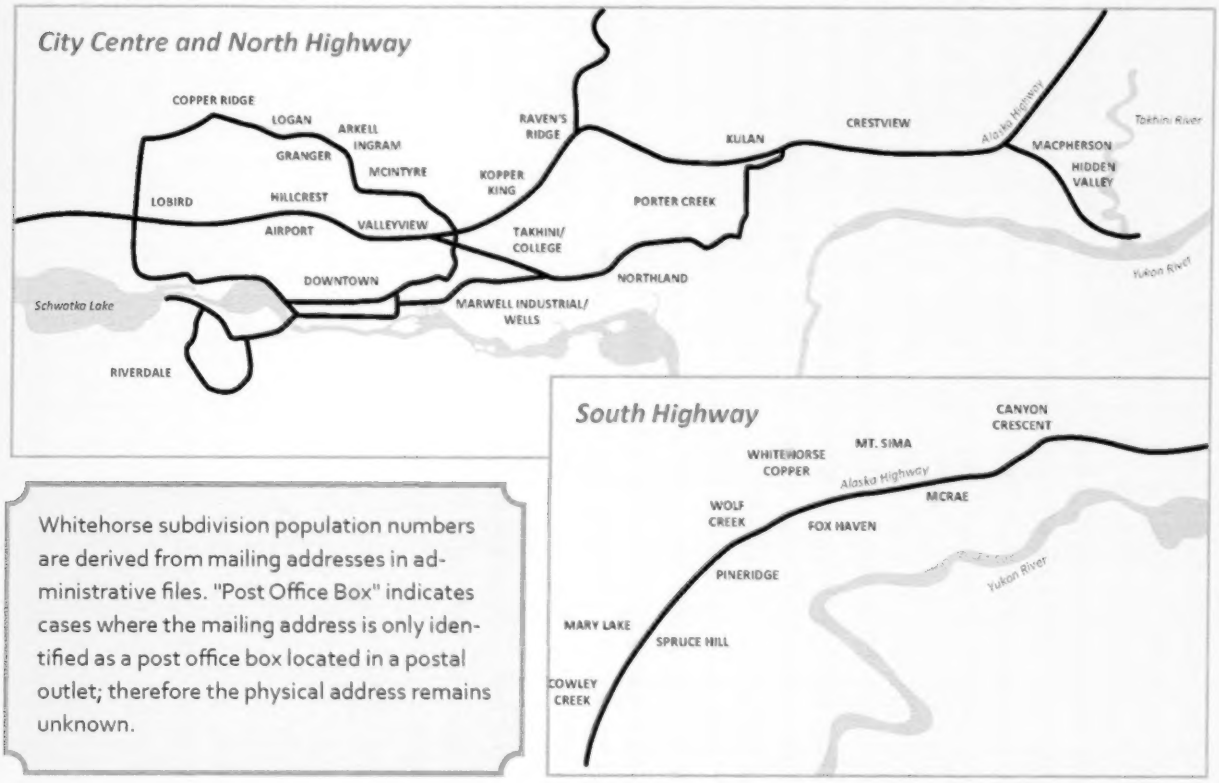
Community Populations by Age Groups, Dec 2012

	Age Groups															
	0-4	5-9	10-14	15-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50-54	55-59	60-64	65-69	70-74	75+	All Ages[1]
Beaver Creek	9	3	2	7	7	12	13	3	7	8	12	7	12	3	2	8	114
Burwash Landing	5	5	3	5	6	1	5	11	8	7	6	10	4	9	6	4	96
Carcross	24	21	21	22	24	29	31	26	29	45	39	41	29	33	11	15	440
Carmacks	44	31	34	40	34	31	39	36	35	27	50	36	31	19	11	15	513
Dawson City	93	98	86	80	125	169	170	148	152	170	198	190	143	90	45	42	2,000
Destruction Bay	1	1	0	1	2	4	6	0	5	3	9	3	8	4	3	1	52
Faro	22	19	15	20	18	14	25	31	7	26	51	47	27	22	22	20	384
Haines Junction	44	45	36	39	52	41	53	60	61	70	81	87	66	48	22	37	843
Marsh Lake	24	16	19	20	29	33	27	29	25	31	77	68	50	36	18	20	522
Mayo	24	19	18	32	26	35	37	15	34	40	51	48	26	15	18	31	468
Old Crow	17	8	14	22	21	15	18	19	11	16	19	16	21	9	3	10	241
Pelly Crossing	24	14	16	17	31	32	17	24	22	30	29	30	10	19	6	12	332
Ross River	21	14	18	25	30	25	28	17	36	37	32	27	18	15	7	12	364
Tagish	6	5	7	17	7	14	8	11	7	20	33	27	24	29	17	19	250
Teslin	23	22	17	29	23	26	28	36	34	30	42	36	34	28	10	26	446
Watson Lake	87	64	73	98	105	115	88	70	97	141	142	133	94	111	44	51	1,512
Whitehorse	1,587	1,516	1,463	1,587	2,008	2,336	2,116	2,078	2,046	2,173	2,428	2,187	1,730	1,121	594	782	27,753
Other[2]	2	0	0	2	4	4	2	3	1	9	12	11	13	4	2	2	71
Yukon	2,058	1,902	1,842	2,064	2,552	2,935	2,712	2,617	2,616	2,883	3,310	3,004	2,341	1,618	841	1,107	36,402

[1] Due to the use of regression modelling, the sums of rows and/or columns may not equal totals given.

[2] *Other* includes communities such as Champagne, Elsa, Johnson's Crossing, Keno City, Stewart Crossing & Swift River.

Whitehorse Area Subdivision Populations



Whitehorse subdivision population numbers are derived from mailing addresses in administrative files. "Post Office Box" indicates cases where the mailing address is only identified as a post office box located in a postal outlet; therefore the physical address remains unknown.

Subdivision	Dec '12	Sept '12	Dec '11
Copper Ridge	3,508	3,513	3,355
Cowley Creek	236	251	240
Crestview	759	748	719
Downtown (including Marwell)	3,354	3,290	3,225
Post Office Box	277	281	485
Granger	1,085	1,066	1,036
Hidden Valley/MacPherson	396	404	410
Hillcrest/Airport	616	628	616
Ingram/Arkell	619	579	482
Kopper King/Raven's Ridge	242	258	263
Lobird/Hamilton Blvd South	186	196	204
Logan	361	362	361
McIntyre	538	530	516
Mary Lake/Spruce Hill	427	417	422
Pine Ridge/Fox Haven	296	300	285
Porter Creek/Kulan	3,803	3,773	3,715

Subdivision	Dec '12	Sept '12	Dec '11
Riverdale	4,885	4,903	4,935
Northlands Area (east of Mtn View Dr)	1,164	1,185	1,097
Takhini/College	1,295	1,284	1,163
Valleyview	180	178	168
Whse Copper/McCrae/Mt. Sima/Canyon Cresc.	407	400	371
Wolf Creek	348	354	348
Inconsistent Information[1]	234	239	242
Not in Defined Neighbourhood	616	617	623
Whitehorse-Municipal Boundaries[2]	**25,832**	**25,756**	**25,281**
Outside City Limits-North[3]	1,025	1,002	890
Outside City Limits-South[4]	609	629	535
Outside City Limits-West[5]	285	286	251
Outside City Limits-Other	4	4	5
Whitehorse Area Total[2]	**27,753**	**27,678**	**26,961**

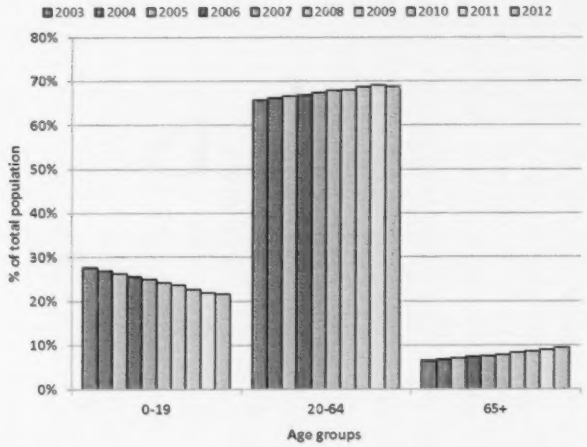
Note: Assignments of numbers of residents to Whitehorse subareas are based on addresses recorded on health care files, some of which are inconsistent or incomplete. Caution should be taken when comparing populations from one time period to another, as changes in totals may be a reflection of the updating or reassigning of recorded addresses rather than physical migrations.

[1] *Inconsistent Information* includes residents whose self-identified city of residence is Whitehorse but whose addresses recorded in the administrative files show inconsistencies; therefore there is a possibility that these residents may in fact reside outside the Whitehorse area.
[2] Due to the use of regression modelling, columns may not equal totals given.
[3] *Outside City Limits-North* includes those residents living between Takhini River Bridge up to and including Fox Lake.
[4] *Outside City Limits-South* includes those residents living between Carcross Cut-off up to and including Annie Lake Road.
[5] *Outside City Limits-West* includes those residents living approximately 3km west of the Mayo Road Cut-off up to and including Mendenhall.

Historical Population Estimates

Growth of Annual Average Yukon Population, 2003 to 2012

In the past 10 years, Yukon's population increased by 6,056 people from a population of 29,967 in 2003 to 36,023 in 2012. This represents an average annual growth rate of 1.8%. However, this growth has not occurred evenly from year to year. It has ranged from a growth of 3.4% between 2007 and 2008 to a decline of 0.3% between 2002 and 2003.



Over the past 10 years, broad age groups (as a percentage of Yukon's total population), have shown that:

- 0-19 age group has decreased from a 27.7% share of the total population in 2003 to 21.6% in 2012: a decrease of 6.1 percentage points.
- 65+ age group has increased from 6.6% of the total population in 2003 to 9.5% in 2012: an increase of 2.9 percentage points.

Notes

Prior to 2012, the Yukon Bureau of Statistics produced population estimates twice a year. Effective 2012, estimates are produced quarterly.

Official population estimates for months and years prior to June 2010 were based on raw counts of Yukon Health Care Insurance Plan recipients, adjusted using the results of a semi-annual health care update survey that estimated the number of recipients who were no longer Yukon residents. Population estimates are now based on a model that combines raw counts of Yukon Health Care Insurance Plan recipients, health insurance claims, and motor vehicle registrations. The model is calibrated through a regression procedure that was conducted on official Yukon population estimates between January 2007 and June 2010.

Figures are sorted by postal codes and community codes. Users of this information should be aware that community population estimates include not only the legally defined municipal limits, but also the population that lives in the immediately surrounding area.

It should also be noted that population estimates do not include approximately 200 RCMP and military personnel living in Yukon who do not subscribe to the Yukon Health Care Insurance Plan.

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